

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A management process operating on a computer system that has cached documents stored on the computer system, the process comprising:

displaying cache status information about the cached documents
when a user digitally points to an address associated with one or more of the
cached documents.

2. The process of claim 1, wherein the user rolls a cursor over the address to digitally point to the address.

3. The process of claim 1, wherein the cache status information includes document availability.

4. The process of claim 1, wherein cache status information includes percentage of the document that was previously cached.

5. The process of claim 1, wherein cache status information includes the date the document was cached.

6. The process of claim 1, further comprising analyzing current size aspects of the document and data associated with the document and comparing it to actual size aspects of the cached document and reporting the comparison as the percentage of the document cached.

7. The process of claim 1, further comprising creating a time stamp associated with the computer system and reporting it as the date the document was cached.

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8. The process of claim 1, wherein the document is a World Wide Web page that is accessed by an Internet browser and the addresses are uniform resource locators pointing to other World Wide Web pages.

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9. The process of claim 1, further comprising allowing a user to selectively choose to load the cached documents from at least one of a local storage area or from a network connection.

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10. The process of claim 1, further comprising providing load options including at least one of loading the cached document, loading designated portions of the document from the cache or loading a completely new document.

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11. The process of claim 1, further comprising providing visual indicia to distinguish between the portions of the document that are cached and new.

12. The process of claim 11, wherein the visual indicia is a color coded scheme.

13. A computer system having a browser operating thereon for displaying documents, comprising:

a memory device that selectively caches the documents;

a module that tracks status information during caching of the documents; and

a cache status device enabled by the module for displaying the status information when a user digitally points to an address associated with one or more the cached documents.

14. The computer system of claim 13, wherein digitally pointing to the address includes rolling a cursor over the address.

15. The computer system of claim 13, wherein the cache status information includes document availability.

16. The computer system of claim 13, wherein cache status information includes percentage of the document that was previously cached.

17. The computer system of claim 13, wherein cache status information includes the date the document was cached.

18. The computer system of claim 13, wherein the module analyzes current size aspects of the document and data associated with the document,

compares it to actual size aspects of the cached document and reports the comparison as the percentage of the document cached.

19. The computer system of claim 13, wherein the document is a
5 World Wide Web page that is accessed by an Internet browser and the addresses are uniform resource locators pointing to other World Wide Web pages.

20. The computer system of claim 13, further comprising load options
10 including at least one of loading the cached document, loading designated portions of the document from the cache or loading a completely new document.

21. The computer system of claim 13, further comprising visual indicia
15 to distinguish between the portions of the document that are cached and new.

22. The computer system of claim 21, wherein the visual indicia is a color coded scheme.

23. A computer-readable medium having computer-executable
20 instructions operating on a computer system for managing document navigation, comprising:

an indicia module that tracks status information during storage of the documents; and

a display device for displaying the status information when a user digitally rolls a cursor over an address associated with one or more of the stored documents.

5 24. The computer-readable medium of claim 23, wherein the display device includes a status bar for displaying the status information when a user digitally rolls a cursor over an address associated with the stored documents.

10 25. The computer-readable medium of claim 23, wherein the document is a World Wide Web page that is accessed by an Internet browser and the addresses are uniform resource locators pointing to other World Wide Web pages.

15 26. The computer-readable medium of claim 23, wherein the module analyzes current size aspects of the document and data associated with the document, compares it to actual size aspects of the cached document and reports the comparison as the percentage of the document cached.

20 27. The computer-readable medium of claim 23, further comprising load options including at least one of loading the cached document, loading designated portions of the document from the cache or loading a completely new document.

28. The computer-readable medium of claim 23, further comprising visual indicia to distinguish between the portions of the document that are cached and new.

5 29. The computer-readable medium of claim 28, wherein the visual indicia is a color coded scheme.